

- January 48.2 Degrees F
- July 89.0 Degrees F
- Annual Average Rainfall: 56.4 inches
- Annual Average Snowfall: 4.1 inches
- Prevailing Winds: 8.4 mph, W
- 4. Cost-of-living Comparisons: Enter here.
- 5. Elevation and Land Area:
 - Elevation (Ground): 624 ft.
 - o 168 Sq. miles in Huntsville
 - 21 25 Sq. miles in Madison
 - 806 Sq. miles in Madison County
- 6. Drivers' License: Newcomers have 30 days, upon establishing residency, to change their out-of-state licenses to valid Alabama licenses.
- 7. Education/Educational Institutions: K 12th grade
 - The Huntsville City School System consists of

- 27 elementary schools, 11 middle schools, 5 high schools, and the Huntsville Center for Developmental Learning. Total enrollment is estimated at over 25,000.
- The Madison City School System is made up of 5 elementary schools, 2 middle schools, and 1 high school. Total enrollment is estimated at 6.000.
- The Madison County School System consists of 17 elementary/middle schools and 5 high schools. Total enrollment is estimated at 16.100.
- There are over 20 private and/or parochial schools, in Madison County, that offer from some to all grades.
- There is also 1 vocational technical school in Madison County.

8. Education/Educational Institutions: Colleges and Universities

- Alabama A&M University
- Alabama Career College
- Calhoun Community College
- Columbia College
- Faulkner University at Huntsville
- Florida Institute of Technology
- J.F. Drake State Technical College
- North Alabama College of Commerce
- North Alabama Skills Center
- Oakwood College
- Southeastern Institute of Technology
- The University of Alabama in Huntsville
- Virginia College at Huntsville

Health Services:

- Hospitals 3
- o Clinics 11
- o Total Beds 970
- Nursing Homes 7
- Mental Health Services 13

10. Libraries:

- Alabama A&M University Library
- Elbert Parsons Law Library
- Huntsville-Madison County Public Library (6 branches)
- Oakwood College Library
- Redstone Scientific Information Center (RSIC)
- University of Alabama in Huntsville Library

11. Local Government:

- Huntsville: The City of Huntsville (256-532-7000), is governed by a mayor and a city council consisting of five council members elected by districts.
- Madison: The City of Madison (256-772-5600), is governed by a mayor and a city council consisting of seven council members elected by districts.
- Madison County: The Madison County Commission (256-532-3492) consists of six commissioners elected by districts and a chairman elected by a county-wide vote.
- 12. Location: Huntsville is located at the foot of a mountain in North Alabama. The city is bounded by the Tennessee River on the south. The area is generally considered part of the Tennessee Valley. The City of Madison is located west of the City of Huntsville.
 - 300 Miles north of the Gulf of Mexico
 - 100 Miles south of Nashville
 - 90 Miles north of Birmingham
 - o 177 Miles west of Atlanta
 - 220 Miles east of Memphis
- 13. Media: Huntsville has one daily newspaper, The Huntsville Times. There are also seven TV stations and five AM and nine FM radio stations.

14. Population:

- Huntsville: 1998 Estimate 174,201, 2003 Projection 177,608
- Madison: 1998 Estimate 24,765, 2003 Projection 28,733
- Madison County: 1998 Estimate 279,430, 2003 Projection 292,723
- 15. Religious Organizations: More than 30 denominations are represented in Madison County with approximately 300 places to worship.
- 16. Sports & Recreation: Enter here.
- 17. Taxes: There are no local income taxes and the state's income tax (256-539-1749) is among the lowest in the U.S. For local tax information contact the following offices, Property Tax 256-532-3350, Sales Tax 256-532-3498 within the city limits.

- 18. Transportation Public: The City of Huntsville's Public Transportation Department operates 10 fixed bus routes and the "Tourist Loop" collectively as the Huntsville Shuttle System.
- 19. Utilities: Electricity, natural gas, and water are supplied by the City of Huntsville under the name of Huntsville Utilities (256-535-1200). Telephone service is provided by South Central Bell.

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